

Sahuaro Weekly Update

"Where neighbors help neighbors build community."



Councilmember Steve Frate, Glendale Arizona

February 5, 2010

Overnight Freeway Closures at Loop 101 and Union Hills Drive

Southbound Loop 101

Southbound Loop 101 will be CLOSED at Union Hills Drive overnight from Friday, Feb. 5 at 10 p.m. until Saturday, Feb. 6 at 5 a.m. for bridge demolition work. Detour: Traffic will be detoured onto the interchange ramps.

Union Hills Drive at Loop 101

Union Hills Drive at Loop 101 will be restricted under the control of flaggers nightly from Friday, Feb. 5 at 10 p.m. until Sunday, Feb. 7 at 5 a.m. for bridge demolition work. Left turns from southbound Loop 101 to eastbound Union Hills Drive will be prohibited. This will also require CLOSING the sidewalk on the south side of Union Hills Drive. Pedestrians may use the sidewalk on the north side of Union Hills Drive. Detour: Traffic on westbound Loop 101 may exit at 75th Avenue, then south on 75th Avenue to access Union Hills Drive east of Loop 101.

Northbound Loop 101

Northbound Loop 101 will be CLOSED at Union Hills Drive overnight from Saturday, Feb. 6 at 10 p.m. until Sunday, Feb. 7 at 5 a.m. for bridge demolition work. Detour: Traffic will be detoured onto the interchange ramps.

Dear Sahuaro District Neighbors,

Please join me for the annual **Sahuaro District Spring Fling** event from 11 a.m.-2 p.m. Saturday, February 20. This family-friendly outdoor event will be held at the Paseo Park ball fields, 63rd Avenue and Thunderbird Road.

This is my fifth year hosting the event which informs and educates residents on the variety of city and other community programs and services that are available to them. Representatives from numerous city departments will be on hand to answer questions and provide residents with information on Glendale services. City vehicles and equipment will be on display from the Police, Fire, Public Works, and Transportation departments.

Our community partners Southwest Ambulance and the Glendale/Peoria YMCA plan to attend, and Southwest Ambulance will bring their popular kid's ambulance for kids of all ages to explore.

In addition to learning about local programs and services, families will enjoy free activities, including inflatable jumpers, a balloon artist and face painting.

A free hot dog lunch and refreshments will be served. For more information, call (623) 930-2016. [Read More.](#)

I hope to see you there!
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Glendale Family Bike Ride Registrations Now Online! Glendale's Green Festival is teaming up with the Glendale Family Bike Ride on Saturday, March 27, and both events are bigger than ever! This free something-for-everyone event is a great opportunity for people of all ages to get a little exercise and learn about water and energy efficiency, alternative transportation, going solar, and many other green-living practices. [Click here](#) to learn more! [Register for the Bike Ride](#)



C-SPAN Civics Bus. Capitol Hill, The White House and National Politics – it's all available on cable through C-SPAN. The channel offers non-stop coverage of government proceedings and public affairs programming. Find out more about what C-SPAN has in its archives when the C-SPAN Civics Bus stops at Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St., from 2:30-4 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 17.

The C-SPAN Civics Bus is a 45-foot mobile multi-media demonstration center that brings the world of public affairs to communities nationwide. While aboard the bus, visitors can discuss government, media and access C-SPAN's video library, a comprehensive searchable archive featuring every C-SPAN program since 1987.

Visitors to the Civics Bus can also learn more about these free C-SPAN resources:

- Health Care Hub, a site featuring resources on the ongoing health care debate
- C-SPAN Classroom, an educational service for social studies teachers
- Congressional Chronicle, a tool for monitoring and tracking congressional bills and members.

This year marks the bus's 17th year on the road. The C-SPAN Civics Bus and crew travel the country, producing programs and promoting civic engagement through education.

For more information, call (623) 930-3554.

Glendale Video Library Online. Glendale residents can now watch their favorite shows from the award-winning Glendale 11 television station, as well as current and past city council meetings, online and on-demand thanks to a new video library on the city's Web site.

This new video archive aims to keep residents informed, with the convenience of watching what they want, when they want it. The library can be found at www.glendaleaz.com/video and features a variety of video content about the city of Glendale, including city council and planning & zoning meetings, regular Glendale 11 programming, and special features like festival shows and the popular "The Making of the Stadium."

Powered by Granicus, an online video streaming tool, the video library also allows users to search city council meetings for specific agenda items and then click immediately to that part of the meeting that interests them. The video archive is Glendale's latest effort to use technology to reach citizens, and it joins the city's growing family of multi-media and social media offerings.

Around Town

[Click here](#) for the City Council meeting schedule.



Glendale Chocolate Affaire Begins Tonight. The weekend before Valentine's Day, Feb. 5-7, is a delicious delight for the senses as the Glendale Chocolate Affaire takes over downtown Glendale to create a chocolate-lover's dream!

Event hours are Friday 5-10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and Sunday noon to 5 p.m. The event is located in the heart of Historic Downtown Glendale, in Murphy Park, located at 58th and Glendale avenues.

The Glendale Chocolate Affaire is sponsored by Cerreta's Candy Company, Kokopelli Winery, 3-TV KTVK, The Arizona Republic, YooHoo, KMLE, KOOL and JAMZ. [Click here](#) for more information.

VIN Etching. Bring your vehicle and proof of ownership to Walmart on 59th Avenue and Bell Road on Saturday, February 6 for free Vehicle Identification Number (VIN) etching. VIN Etching is the process of permanently etching a vehicle's 17-digit vehicle ID number on each piece of window glass on your vehicle to deter auto theft.

The process takes about 10 minutes, event hours are from 9:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Call (623) 930-2498 for more information.

Stop In for Small Business Counseling. No appointments are necessary for "Walk-In Counseling with SCORE" from 10 a.m.-2 p.m. on Saturday, Feb. 6 in the small meeting room of Glendale Main Library, 5959 W. Brown St.

The Service Corps of Retired Executives (SCORE) can advise on all areas of business, from start-up information to marketing and accounting concerns. The counseling is free. For more information about SCORE, call (602) 745-7250.

From The Heart Application Workshop. Social service agencies that serve Glendale residents are invited to a grant application workshop on Wednesday, February 17 to learn how to apply for From The Heart funding.

The workshop will be held from 2-4 p.m. in Room B-3 at Glendale City Hall, 59th and Glendale avenues. Grant applications will be available at the workshop and online.

To be eligible for grant funding, social service agencies must be non-profit 501(c)(3) organizations that serve Glendale residents. Agencies must also have been operational for at least 12 months prior to applying for grants, which range from \$2,500 to \$20,000.

The deadline to submit a completed application packet is 4 p.m. Friday, March 5. For more information about From The Heart, or to get an application online, [click here](#).

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